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The north school closes this week Wednesday and the teacher returns to her home in West Rutland.

Mrs. A. C. Carley of South Londonderry spent a few days of last week with her sister, Mrs. Zoia Wyman who is confined to the house by illness.

M. J. Hapgood returned from Montpelier the last of the week, where he attended the reunion of the 1914-1915 legislature and reports a very enjoyable time.

Fred R. Crossman died Monday afternoon after an illness of about three weeks. He was thought to be recovering until he had a relapse the latter part of the week. A nurse was called Saturday. He has held many important town offices and will be missed very much. A further notice will be written next week.

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## VERMONT HUNTER CAPTURES 16 BEARS

Albert C. Robinson of Wardboro Has Taken Six During the Present Season



One of Mr. Robinson's Trophies of the Present Season

The champion bear hunter for southern Vermont, if not the entire state, for the season just closed is Albert C. Robinson of West Wardboro. He has shot six bears in his traps since October, making 16 in all that have fallen victims to his prowess as a hunter and trapper. "Mate" Jones of Pike's Falls and "Bill" Howard of Bondville, who live not many



ALBERT C. ROBINSON

miles from Mr. Robinson, have taken as many in a single season, but that was some time ago.

On his visit to Brattleboro a few days ago, which was his first visit here in two years, Mr. Robinson talked extensively to a representative of The Reformer, relative to the prevalence of bears in the section in which he lives and about himself and those dependent upon him. Besides being a hunter and trapper Mr. Robinson carries on a farm of 125 acres and conducts a blacksmith shop.

"It is quite necessary that I be doing something most of the time, as I have considerable of a family to support—a wife and eight children," asserted Mr. Robinson with a show of pride.

Mr. Robinson is rather under the average as to stature, and a stranger would not take him to be a champion hunter of game animals, but besides his 16 bears he has killed a deer every year but four since the open season was established 19 years ago, has shot two bobcats and a variety of small game. He has ample courage and endurance, and while he never has had any hair-raising experiences he never has sought to dodge them. "I have no more fear for a bear than I have of a hedgehog," he says.

When asked how many bears he supposed there were in Windham county Mr. Robinson replied: "That would be hard to say. Some of us were talking it over the other day and I said I bet there were not more than a thousand in Vermont. The territory where I go is as wild as there is anywhere in the state, and I wouldn't be surprised if there were more than 200 up there."

There have been many bears near Manchester and Mr. Robinson thinks the big forest fire in that section last summer drove a good number into the northwestern part of Windham county. Anyway they are more numerous in this county, he says, than he has ever known them to be before.

Mr. Robinson has a shack on Akley mountain between West Wardboro and West Dover, about four miles from his home and a mile and a half from the Daniel Webster monument on Stratton mountain. He has frequented the place the past 10 years.

"I set my traps the latter part of September," Mr. Robinson went on "and visit them twice a week until the season ends, which is after deep snow and cold weather come. The bears hibernate then and I spring the traps and leave them."

"For bait I use most anything. They like salt salmon, but more depend on common sense in setting the traps than on the bait. They have certain places where they cross the mountains, and if you can find those places you are likely to have good luck. I have trapped many years, but I never had much luck until the past several years. The bear business has helped me out better than \$100 the past fall.

"There is a bounty of \$10 on each bear and the pelts are worth \$15 or more. There isn't much demand for bear skins in the furmarket, though, but you can usually find somebody who wants a skin with the head mounted to use as a rug. The meat I can dispose of at home.

"In the summer time the bears eat berries, nuts and roots, and occasionally they make a raid on some sheep-

pasture. Only last fall they killed several sheep in an East Dover pasture."

The bears which Mr. Robinson has shot have ranged in weight from 175 to 270 pounds, but specimens weighing more than 400 pounds have been shot a short distance from West Wardboro in Stratton. Not all of his trophies have been taken in traps.

He carries a rifle on his trips, but a short time ago he happened to be in the neighborhood of one of his traps a day earlier than usual and on visiting them found that one was holding a prize. He borrowed a shot gun and went up within 20 feet of Bruin before firing. "Most bears in traps act like whipped dogs," declared Mr. Robinson, "but this one hadn't been caught long enough to take the sand out of him and was pretty snappy. He rose up on his haunches and tried to put up a fight, but the drag held so he couldn't do any harm."

Being a blacksmith, Mr. Robinson makes his own traps, and when setting them he attaches them to drags, which are heavy sticks or pieces of log. When the bear jumps after the log in springing the drag yields a little. Otherwise the bear might tear himself free before the jaws of the trap got a firm hold.

"We've got a little band in West Wardboro that four of my boys and I play in," Mr. Robinson volunteered. "I play the bass drum, Dorlan and Addis play cornets. Travis plays the B-flat horn and Gregory plays the trombone. We've had quite a lot of jobs. Addis who is 9, can make the cornet tell."

Mr. Robinson was born in West Wardboro Oct. 14, 1876, a son of Nahum and Catherine (Vail) Robinson. He always has lived in that part of the town. For 17 years he has done blacksmithing, most of the time in the village, but his shop is now on his farm and most of the work he does in that line now is to accommodate the neighbors.

While working in the Waterbury, Vt., asylum Mr. Robinson met Miss Margaret Curran of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and they were married Dec. 31, 1900. They have eight children: Dorlan 15, Travis 13, Gregory 12, Paul 11, Addis 9, John 5, Catherine 3, and Henry 1.

He has three brothers, Fred, Almon and Eldon, all of West Wardboro, and four sisters, Hila, wife of Frank E. Ray of Wilmington, Vt.; Clara, wife of William R. Nash of Chippewa Falls, Mass.; and Nora, wife of Lute Kendall of West Wardboro.—Brattleboro Reformer.

## GREEN MOUNTAIN VALLEY

Mrs. Pierce is improving in health. Mrs. Orville Tift, who has been very ill, is slowly improving.

Carl Becker is drawing logs to the Eagle Square Mill plant.

Hiland Dyer has purchased a fine work horse of Miles Rice.

Mrs. Ida Williams of Stephentown is caring for his mother, Mrs. Tift.

Many cellars were frozen during the recent cold, some losing all of their potatoes.

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Mark Rice and wife attended the funeral of James Bounplon Sunday. He was Mrs. Rice's father.

Sent postal to D. P. Mattison, South Shaftsbury for hand picked pound sweet apples \$1.00 a bushel.

Ernest Harrington and wife were in Shaftsbury Valley Sunday attending the funeral of their father, James Bounplon.

Thursday evening, Feb. 22 Miss Florence Hill will be pleased to greet the community at the school house where she will conduct an entertainment consisting of a box social, a grab bag and many other pleasing things, victrola music, games, etc. All ladies are requested to bring a box sufficient for two.

Miles Rice has purchased a valuable young filly, Black Beauty, of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Mattison. Mr. Rice is an expert at teaching young horses as well as horse shoeing. He commenced Friday, about her Saturday, drove her to Bennington Saturday evening. He believes in kindness instead of the whip.

## POWELL CENTER

Miss Ida Greene of Rutland is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Greene.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Niles of Bennington were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Samuel Campbell had the misfortune to cut his left foot Friday while chopping wood.

Mrs. Martin Niles of North Pownal was the guest Sunday of her sister, Mrs. Myron Campbell.

William Holt of Bennington, C. B. Patterson and Harmon Odell, Jr., enjoyed a hunting trip Sunday.

Merritt Odell and Archie Barbeau are cutting logs for a cabin they are to build on Green Mountain this spring.

A citizens caucus will be held in the

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